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WRITTEN STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW PURSUANT TO MPEP § 713.04

Mail Stop Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Interview Summary (Paper No. 20070215), the following written statement pursuant to MPEP §713.04 is submitted concerning the substance of the telephonic interview between Examiners Shubo Zhou and Ritesh Agrawal and the undersigned on February 15, 2007.

In the teleconference, the Examiners and the undersigned discussed in greater detail the general objection raised in a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated February 6, 2007. Specifically, the Examiners identified that the ordering of the Figures were changed but agreed that these changes were not substantive and no explanation was necessary. The Examiners subsequently indicated that there were "minus signs" or the like on the Y-axis Fig. 1 and these changes were not explained the Amendment of December 1, 2006. Thus, the Examiners requested that this issue be addressed.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 4586-4001.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. <u>13-4500</u>, Order No. <u>4586-4001</u>.

Dated: $3/(4/\circ 7)$ By:

Respectfully submitted, MORGAN & FINNEGAN, L.L.P.

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